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In re Patent of:)
Andre Wichelhaus)
Application Serial Nos.: 10/540,285)
Filed: 19 December 2003)
Title: RE-CLOSABLE LID, IN PARTICULAR OF A DRINKS CAN)))

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, applicant submits the Declaration of Andre Wichelhaus, Check No. 3278 in the amount of \$65.00 and a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 06 February 2006

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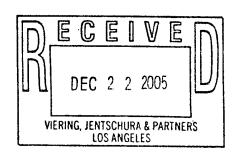
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/20/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/20/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 06/20/2005
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 06/20/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/20/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/20/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 06/20/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/20/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 06/20/2005



The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath
 or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27,
 must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

• \$65 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (371 Formalities Notice)

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING US EXPRESS MAIL Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.10

I hereby certify that a Response to Notification of Missing Requirements, Declaration of Andre Wichelhaus, Copy of Notice of Missing Requirements, Check No. 3278 in the amount of \$65.00 and Return Postcard are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as U.S. Express Mail No. EV733018771US in an envelope addressed to:

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